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Amendment dated December 27, 2004  
Reply to Office Action of August 6, 2004

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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT  
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Applicant : Hideo OKANO

Serial No. : 09/771,542

Filed : January 28, 2001

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INFORMATION PROCESSING  
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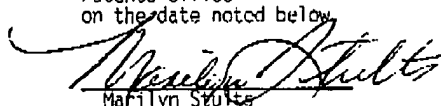
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Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

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